

Southwest Aviation Weather Safety (SAWS) Workshop V June 19, 2013

In conjunction with the Los Angeles/Oxnard Weather Forecast Office and the San Diego Weather Forecast Office, the Los Angeles Air Route Traffic Control Center Weather Service Unit will host the fifth Southwest Aviation Weather Safety Workshop on June 19th. The workshop will be held in a virtual format, which is a first for the SAWS Workshop series. You are invited to attend this free-of-charge virtual workshop and are encouraged to submit a stand-up or poster presentation proposal.

Background – The purpose of SAWS Workshops is to promote aviation safety and productivity through improved weather awareness and forecasting services. Besides the three California offices hosting SAWS V, the NWS Weather Forecast Offices in Phoenix, AZ and Albuquerque, NM are also helping to organize this year's event. Previous SAWS events have been hosted in both Phoenix, AZ and Albuquerque, NM. The workshop is held roughly every 18-months and hosted by different cities across the Southwest.

- **June 19th: Aviator & Controller Weather Workshop Session(s)** – Presentations will be given to inform and educate pilots and air traffic controllers. Presentations will primarily address weather hazards in the Southwest U.S., including Southern California, and best practices for safe flying and/or controlling aircraft across these regions. Proposals for presentations exceeding 25 minutes may be submitted and will be considered.
- **June 19th: Aviation Weather Forecasting Workshop Session(s)** – Presentations will be given to help forecasters understand and better meet the needs of aviators and air traffic controllers. Presentations should primarily address the advancement and improvement of aviation decision support services and/or best practices in aviation weather forecasting products and services. Proposals for presentations exceeding 25 minutes may be submitted and will be considered.

In Closing - We are now accepting presentation proposals and booth requests for both days of the workshop. If you are interested in providing a presentation or poster, please reply with a brief description of your topic, and the amount of time/other resources you will need, no later than April 10th. The planning committee will consider all proposals and announce the agenda the end of April/very early May. Please send your reply, as well as questions or comments to the National Weather Service San Diego Aviation Program Manager (Brandt.Maxwell@noaa.gov), and/or the National Weather Service Albuquerque Aviation Program Manager (David.Craft@noaa.gov). Should you need immediate assistance, you may contact me by phone at the below number. We are very excited to host SAWS V and look forward to another collaborative and productive interaction with our valued aviation customers and partners.

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